

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-6 (Cancelled)

Claim 7 (Amended): A [shingle lifting] tool comprising:

a handle having a proximal end, an elongate body, and a distal end, the distal end having an elongate internal cavity extending into the elongate body;

a [shingle lifting] tool head having a mounting rod extending upwardly from the [shingle lifting] tool head, the mounting rod being adapted to slidably engage the elongate internal cavity for slidably mounting the [shingle lifting] tool head upon the handle such that the [shingle lifting] tool head slides with respect to the handle between an extended position and a compressed position;

a coil spring adapted to fit around the mounting rod, about the lifting tool head and the distal end of the elongate body, and bias the [shingle lifting] tool head towards the extended position; and

a means for anchoring the mounting rod within the elongate internal cavity so that the mounting rod does not fall out of the elongate internal cavity.

Claim 8 (amended) The [shingle lifting] tool head of claim 7 wherein the means for anchoring is a mounting bolt adapted to be positioned through a mounting slot of the mounting rod and a mounting aperture of the elongate body to lock the mounting rod within the elongate internal cavity.

Claim 9 (amended) The [shingle lifting] tool head of claim 7 wherein the mounting rod have a rectangular or oval cross-section.

Claim 10 (new) A tool comprising:

a handle having a proximal end, an elongate body, and a distal end, the distal end having an elongate internal cavity extending into the elongate body;

a tool head having a mounting rod extending upwardly from the tool head, the mounting rod having an oval or rectangular cross-section and being adapted to slidably engage the elongate internal cavity for slidably mounting the tool head upon the handle such that the tool head slides with respect to the handle between an extended position and a compressed position; and

a means for biasing the tool head towards the extended position.

Claim 11 (new) A tool comprising:

a handle;

a tool head;

a means for slidably mounting the tool head on the handle such that the tool head slides with respect to the handle between an extended position and a compressed position;

a means for biasing the tool head towards the extended position; and

a mounting cable adapted to attach the tool head to the handle.